(*b*) the number of primary schools which are converted into the new type middle schools or pacca middle schools in Malur Taluk within the last four years?

A.—Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—(Minister for Education)—

(*a*) 8 during 1956.

(*b*)—Nil.

Splitting up the District of South Kanara.

Q.—254. Sri S. S. KOLKEBAIL (Brahmavar)—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether there is any proposal before the Government to split up the District of South Kanara and add on this area to the neighbouring Districts of Shimoga and Hassan;

(*b*) if so, whether they will expedite the proposal at an early date, so as to facilitate the improvement of Malnad area?

A.—Sri M. P. PATIL (Minister for Revenue).—

(*a*) No.

(*b*) Does not arise in view of reply to clause (*a*) above.

Proposal for siting the Major Port at Malpe.

Q.—268. Sri S. S. KOLKEBAIL (Brahmavar).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether they have sent any proposal to the Central Government for siting the Major Port at Malpe (Udipi Taluk) and a Naval Yard at Bhatkal:

(*b*) if not, whether they intend to take steps to press the Central Government in the matter in view of the fact that this is the only Maritime State in the country without any port;

(*c*) if not, why?

A.—Sri H. K. VEERANNA GOWDH (Minister for Public Works).—

(*a*) Recommendation has been made to Government of India for development of Malpe into a Major Port; but no recommendation has been made for a Naval Yard at Bhatkal.

(*b*) The recommendation as regards Malpe has been made already. But as regards Naval Yard at Bhatkal, it is not a matter coming within the purview of the State Government.

(*c*) Does not arise.

Primary Boys' School for Dimmeri Harohally, Malur Taluk.

Q.—277. Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY (Malur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether the people of Dimmeri Harohalli, Malur Taluk, are demanding a Government Primary Boys' School;

(*b*) if so, from what period;

(*c*) the action taken by them thereon?

A.—Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA (Minister for Education).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) From this year.

(*c*) The matter is under consideration.

Grievances of the people in Tyakal Hobli, Malur Taluk.

Q.—280. Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY (Malur)—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether a Memorandum detailing the grievances of the people in

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Tyakal Hobli, Malur Taluk, was presented to the Chief Minister on 29th November 1956 at Tyakal on the occasion of his visit to open the Local Fund Dispensary;

(*b*) the details of demands made and the action taken by them thereon?

A.—Sri A. B. SHETTY (Minister for Health).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) (i) Provision of electricity.

(ii) Construction of sheds in the shandy maidan.

(iii) Construction of a bridge to Markandeya River.

(iv) Construction of a Bus Stand.

(v) Construction of a building for the Police Station.

(vi) Improvements to the tanks.

(vii) Construction of in-patient wards by Sriyuths Chikkakempanna and Veere Gowda.

Action is being taken to examine each of the requests by the concerned departments.

Damage done to the Roads and Bridges due to heavy rains in Malur Taluk.

Q.—285. Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY (Malur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the damage done to the roads and bridges under the P. W. D. and the District Board in Malur Taluk due to heavy rains during October 1956;

(*b*) the value of the damage;

(*c*) the action taken by them thereon?

A.—Sri R. CHENNIGARAMIAH (Minister for Local Self-Government).—

(*a*), (*b*) *&* (*c*).—No damages have been caused to the roads and bridges under the control of the Public Works Department in Malur Taluk.

A statement indicating the damages caused to District Board roads, the value of the damages and the action taken is appended.